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FRAKER-MCDONALD

Miss Lois Fraker And Blake McDonald United in Marriage

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AUG. 19

Ceremony Performed by Dr. Jay Clizbe, Assisted by Rev. W. H. Mason

One of the simplest and at the same time one of the most impressive wedding ceremonies witnessed in Alma for a long time occurred last evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Fraker, when their daughter, Lois, was united in marriage to Reverend Blake MacDonald, of New York City.

The guests, who comprised the relatives of the bride and groom, together with a few girl friends of the bride, were received by Miss Fraker and Mr. MacDonald; at 5 o'clock Miss Fraker and Mr. MacDonald attended by Mr. and Mrs. Foster Fraker as bridesmaid and best man, accompanied by Miss Dorothy Dawe of Deckerville as ring-bearer, took their stand beneath an arch in the front parlor where Dr. Clizbe, assisted by Rev. Mason, performed the beautiful ring wedding service that for life united the lives of Miss Fraker and Mr. MacDonald.

Following the marriage ceremony a sumptuous wedding supper was served by the Camp Fire Girls of Mrs. MacDonald's group.

The bride was gowned in white silk and carried a shower bouquet of roses and lilies of the valley. She wore a beautiful pearl necklace, the gift of the groom.

Mrs. MacDonald is an Alma girl, a graduate of Alma College and for two years Latin teacher in the Alma public schools. A young lady of sweet disposition and many sterling qualities her friends in this community are legion.

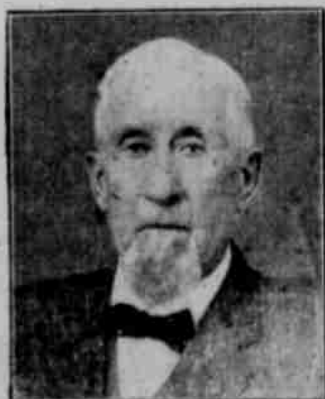
Blake MacDonald, the groom, was for two years a student at Alma College, going from here to the University of Michigan where after receiving his diploma, he entered Auburn University to complete his course of studies. Finishing at Auburn, Mr. MacDonald went to New York City, where he accepted the pastorate of the Mizpah chapel, a branch of the Central Presbyterian church of that city, which position he still occupies.

Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald leave Detroit Tuesday evening via the Great Lakes for Montreal, thence to Lake Champlain, Lake George and the Hudson river to New York City. A week will be spent at Ocean Grove after which they will reside at 422 West Fifty-Seventh street and be at home to their many friends after November 5th.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mrs. Elizabeth MacDonald, Mr. John MacDonald, and Dr. and Mrs. Fred MacDonald of Detroit; Mrs. Joseph Dawe and daughter, Dorothy, of Deckerville; Miss Marie Behren of Ithaca, Miss Stella Dawe of Grand Ledge, and Miss Annabel Rounsifer of Howell.

Rev. and Mrs. T. G. R. Brownlow entertained a company of friends from Ovid last Wednesday, who came in autos with well-filled lunch baskets to spend the day. The party was composed of Mr. and Mrs. Edison Swarthout, Mr. and Mrs. Aden Lewis and son, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. Arley Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Schultz, Mr. and Mrs. Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Grow. The men in the party were members of Mr. Brownlow's official board in Ovid.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.



I wish to announce to the Republican voters of Gratiot county that I am a candidate for the nomination for County Treasurer at the Primary Election. Your support will be appreciated.

WILBUR NELSON,
Ithaca, Mich.
1844tf
[Political Adv.]

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY.

I desire to appeal to the voters of Gratiot county to come out on Primary day and vote. It is important for many reasons. The Primary law may be regarded as still on trial. This law affords an opportunity to vote directly for the candidate whose nomination he desires. The fate of the direct voting law depends upon the fact that the voters in the rural districts as well as in the cities and villages regard their civic duties and attend the Primary Tuesday, August 25th. This is of more importance than the candidacy of any man upon the ticket, and as a citizen of Gratiot County who earnestly desires the success of the Primary law, I make this appeal to you. NOT ONLY THAT YOU GO YOURSELF BUT URGE YOUR NEIGHBOR TO GO WITH YOU.



So far as my own candidacy is concerned I realize fully that if I am nominated and elected it will be by your favor, but in determining whether or not you will vote for me I ask you to consider the fact that while I am not an experienced lawyer—the salary of the office being too small to command the services of an experienced lawyer—I HAVE HAD EXPERIENCE IN TRYING CONTESTED CASES IN THE CIRCUIT COURT WITHOUT ASSISTANCE, WHILE MY OPPONENT, MR. CLARK, HAS HAD NONE. I am well accustomed to study and hard work and my experience acquired in other business and professional pursuits gives me an experience and knowledge of men and affairs which will be useful in the discharge of my official duties. If I am nominated and elected I shall make it my aim to so discharge the duties of the office in such a manner as to reflect credit upon my friends and the political party which elected me.

O. L. SMITH,
Ithaca, Mich.
[Political Advertising.]

MEMBERS OF GRATIOT COUNTY BAR AND THE PROSECUTORSHIP.

In view of the fact that Romaine Clark of St. Louis has solicited and secured from members of the bar of Gratiot county a statement to the effect that he was possessed of sufficient ability to properly conduct the affairs of the office of Prosecuting Attorney, the undersigned members of the bar desire to have it understood that such statement should not be regarded as conveying any inference that Ora L. Smith of Ithaca is not fully capable and competent to perform the duties of the office; among those who are best acquainted with Mr. Smith there has never been any doubt but what he possessed the legal ability and has sufficient age, experience and executive ability to protect the taxpayers against useless or unnecessary prosecution.

(Signed)

MARVIN R. SALTER,
O. G. TUTTLE,
JNO. T. MATHEWS,
JOHN H. MYERS,
NEWELL SMITH,
CHARLES H. GOGGIN,
JAMES G. KRESS,
WILLIAM A. BAHKE.
[Political Advertising.]

A FALSE RUMOR CORRECTED.

In view of the fact that false rumors have been circulated from certain quarters regarding the Republicanism of Mr. Ora L. Smith of Ithaca, several of his friends have prevailed on him to procure and publish the following affidavit:

State of Indiana,

Sidney K. Ganiard, of La Grange, Indiana, being duly sworn deposes and says that as a Republican he represented the La Grange-Noble senatorial district in the senate of the state Assembly of Indiana from 1905 to 1909. That he has known Mr. Ora L. Smith, of Ithaca, Michigan, formerly of Howe, Indiana, since he came into La Grange county from Michigan in 1903 and that since that date deponent has been intimately associated with the said Ora L. Smith in political, social and educational matters; and that during the period aforesaid the said Ora L. Smith was actively associated with the Republican party and politics of this county. Mr. Smith has represented La Grange county as a delegate in legislative, state and congressional conventions and in 1908, as a delegate to the legislative convention made the nominating speech on

THREE EARS OF CORN

Economy Shoe Store Wants Three Ears of Best Corn

GROWN IN GRATIOT COUNTY

Offer A Prize of \$7.00 For Three Best Ears, And \$3.50 for Three Second Best

Hundreds of farmers have moved into Gratiot county from the corn-growing state of Illinois and believing that the soil of Central Michigan is the equal of that of any other state in the union whether a farmer wishes to grow corn or any other cereal. The Economy Shoe Store will offer a prize of \$7.00 in trade for the best three ears of corn, and \$3.50 in trade for the second best three ears grown in Gratiot county, or in the townships of Ferris or Richland of Montcalm county, or the townships of Coe or Lincoln of Isabella county. The corn must be grown in the above territory and brought to their store in this city before December first. The corn may be of any variety to suit the grower. The management of the Economy Shoe Store have secured the services of two expert corn growers to judge the corn and the one owning the three first and second best ears will be awarded the above prizes.

JOE COHEN MARRIED

Alma Clothing Merchant Marries An Elmira New York Girl

Harry Cohen left Saturday for Elmira, New York, to attend the wedding of his brother, Joseph, who was united in marriage at five o'clock on Tuesday afternoon to Miss Fanny Roberts. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Roberts. The bride's father is a prominent, wholesale jobber of Elmira. Mr. Cohen has been in business in Alma for the past six years and his many friends join with the Record in wishing him a happy future. After a honeymoon trip they will return to Alma where they will make their home.

FOR COUNTY CLERK.

Locate all of the candidates, and remember that I am the only one in all the west half of the county. Ponder it well and let the west half have a place on the ticket.

Very truly,
C. D. WILES.
[Political Adv.]

behalf of the Hon. Luman K. Babcock, who represented La Grange county in the lower house of the Indiana State Assembly.

Deponent further states that Mr. Smith is a type of public spirited citizen whose integrity and ability are unquestioned.

SIDNEY K. GANIARD.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of August, A. D. 1914.
RETHA B. DAVIS,
Notary Public in and for La Grange County, Indiana.
My commission expires Feb. 2nd, A. D. 1918.
[Political Advertising.]

FIRST STATE BANK MECHANICAL BOOKKEEPER

Device Will Post Ledgers, Make Out Customers Statements,—Adds And Subtracts With Ease, And Balances Accounts Daily

The First State Bank, of Alma, Michigan, has just added a remarkable machine to its equipment—a machine that posts ledgers and makes out customers' statements. There won't be any more night work balancing pass books at the end of each month for the bank has done away with the old pass book system and adopted the Statement System which the banks in the largest cities are using.

People who are not acquainted with the inside workings of a bank will not fully realize the great advantages of machine work over hand work in posting to the ledger. The big advantages of using the machine is the saving in time and in the improvement in the appearance and legibility of the ledger sheet.

Heretofore the clerks when posting to the ledger had to first make a list

For Prosecuting Attorney.



I wish to announce that I will be a candidate for the office of Prosecuting Attorney on the Republican ticket at the primaries to be held August 25th, 1914. Your vote and support will be appreciated.

ROMAINE CLARK.
[Political Advertising.]

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

Two Boys Find Loaded Revolver in Buggy Near Riverdale

Two boys, Henry Hudson, and Archie Crittenden, living two miles north of Riverdale, were accidentally shot Sunday morning when George Hudson, older brother of Henry, drove to his parents' place and left a revolver which was loaded, in the bottom of his buggy. Soon after arrival the two boys, Henry and Archie, climbed into the buggy and Henry discovered the revolver and never thinking about it being loaded pulled the trigger and the bullet entered the calf of his left leg on the inside and came out just above his ankle on the outside and then passed through the foot of Archie Crittenden. If blood poison does not occur the boys will probably pull through their peculiar accident without any further trouble.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

At the primary election to be held Tuesday, August 25th, the voters of Gratiot County will find my name as a candidate for the office of County Treasurer on the Republican ticket. I want to take this opportunity to assure you that I will appreciate your vote and support at that time. I have served my township, Elba, twice as supervisor and twice as township treasurer. Elba township has never been represented in any county office. Now is the time to change the order



of things and by so doing give the southern half of the county a fair deal and at the same time give me the opportunity of proving to you that you can find material for good and competent county officials outside of the county seat town, Ithaca. Turn out to the primaries whether you vote for me or not, but remember your vote if cast for A. F. Ryder for county treasurer will be appreciated.

Yours respectfully,
A. F. RYDER.
[Political Advertising.]

MRS. LLOYD ELLISON

Entertained Monday At A Miscellaneous Shower

HONOR OF MRS. FOSTER FRAKER

Two Course Luncheon Served by The Misses Ellison, Tubbs and McConkey

Last Monday afternoon Mrs. Lloyd Ellison entertained a score or more of the friends of Mrs. Foster Fraker at a miscellaneous shower. The afternoon was spent in social ways and general conversation, after which a delightful two-course luncheon was served by Mrs. Ellison, assisted by the Misses Mildred McConkey, Margaret Tubbs and Kathaleen Ellison.

Mrs. Fraker, formerly Miss Marion Rounsifer, has many friends in Alma, as evidenced by the many beautiful and useful gifts received during the afternoon.

FOR STATE SENATOR

[Political Advertising.]
I am a candidate of the republican party for the office of State Senator for the 25th district and solicit the support of the members of my party.

Very respectfully,

JOHN A. DAMON,
Mt. Pleasant, Mich.

"Dutch" Hoyt of Caro, who has been catching for Grand Ledge, was engaged by Alma to play the last three games. He plays a fine game and has a pegging arm unequalled in the league. Mr. Hoyt is also a football man and expects to enter Alma College this fall.

ATTENTION VOTERS

To the Citizens of Gratiot County:

Having been unable to meet personally all the voters of Gratiot county, I desire, through the columns of the Record, to say that before deciding to go into the campaign for the office of Sheriff in this county, I received letters from all parts of the county expressing the opinion that a change should be made in the Sheriff's office, and urging me to enter the race. From the talks I have had with people in various parts of the county, the opinion in general seems to agree with that expressed in the letters referred to above. If I have been misled, and this opinion is not general and a change is not desired in this office, then I am willing to abide by the result. I believe in good, clean politics and the principles of the Republican party, and I know that my past record as well as the opinions of my acquaintances will bear out this assertion.

I have been approached by many on the local option question, and wish to say for the benefit of these as well as every other good citizen of Gratiot county, that if nominated and elected, I will enforce the local option law the same as all other laws as they appear on the statute books.

If this meets with your approval your vote and support at the primaries August 25th will be greatly appreciated by yours truly,

NEWELL M. BRADFORD.
[Political Advertising.]

DEAN AT WRIGHT HALL

For 1914-15 Will be Miss Cornelia Waite, of Minneapolis

Two new teachers have been secured for Alma College next year.

The new Dean of Women will be Miss Camelia Waite, a woman with a charming personality and rich experience. She graduated from the University of Minneapolis. She did post-graduate work there and also assisted the Dean of Women and instructed certain classes. For several years she has been in social settlement work in New York and Minneapolis and comes to Alma with sympathies enlarged and quickened by the intimate touch which this work has given her with many of the less fortunate. She will teach the freshman English.

Miss Robinson's assistant in the Kindergarten Department will be Miss Marguerite Conyne, who comes from Chicago, where she is spoken of by those who have known her preparation and work as being exceptionally well fitted for her duties at Alma. The professors of German, French and English Bible have not yet been chosen but the possibilities under consideration seem to assure splendid instructors in each of these positions.

FOR COUNTY CLERK.



I would like to have met every voter in the county personally. But I am a busy farmer and it has been hard for me to be away from home as much as I have.

If I am nominated, it will be by the thoughtful, intelligent voters who believe a man of experience and good character with a clean record is of more value to the county than one who may be only a good campaigner.

I ask the voters to get the judgment of reliable men as to the character and records of all of the candidates and I will cheerfully accept the result.

Respectfully yours,
Political adv. B. L. CASE.

DRAIN COMMISSIONER.

I wish to announce at this time that I will be a candidate for re-election at the August primary, for the office of County Drain Commissioner. I thank my friends for their support in the past, and if my record as County Drain Commissioner meets with your approval, I shall appreciate your support in the future.

Yours respectfully,
E. W. REDMAN.
[Political Advertising.]

M. E. CHURCH.

10 A. M.—Preaching, "The Square Deal."
11:30—Bible School.
6:30—Epworth League.
7:30—Union Service in the Episcopal Church. Rev. J. Frank Jackson will preach.
Prayer Meeting—Thursday evening at 7:30.

JAMES L. KRESS

For County Clerk.

For several weeks my candidacy for the nomination for county clerk on the Republican ticket at the August primaries has been announced through the several papers of the county. I have during that time met many of the voters and it would be a pleasure to personally meet them all, yet the time is now so limited, that becomes impossible, and therefore it is only in this manner I can again introduce myself to those whom I have not seen.

The office of county clerk is one of



the most important of the several offices in the county. The duties are many and varied. One is not only clerk of the county, but is clerk of the board of supervisors, clerk of the court, register in chancery, and general custodian of the files and records pertaining to county and court work, all of which must be looked after in a careful and painstaking manner. As clerk of the court and register in chancery he must see that all orders, judgments and decrees are properly entered and all files properly kept. The fact that for several years my work has been along lines of clerical and office work, I feel that I am fitted for the position to which I now aspire, and I believe that you will agree with me that good clerical ideas and experience along these lines are good assets for the man who holds the office of county clerk.

One other matter to which I desire to call your attention is, that I have no other business interest to occupy a part of my time, and if nominated and elected all of my time will be devoted to the duties of the office in question.

I therefore offer these facts to you for your consideration, and in doing so have no intention of trespassing upon your sympathy, nor in manner, to cast any reflection upon any one, but assure you, that any support you may give to me, and especially if you cast your vote for me at the primaries next Tuesday, it will be appreciated.

JAMES L. KRESS,
Alma, Michigan.
[Political Advertising.]

Warren Miller and wife of Albion who were guests of J. L. Miller and family, left Friday for Nesson City.

DRAIN COMMISSIONER

An Important Office in Gratiot County

DRAINAGE ENHANCES VALUE

E. W. Redman Who Has Proved An Excellent Official Deserves Your Support Aug. 25

Gratiot county, one of the best agricultural counties in Michigan, has during the past twenty-five years seen the value of acreage and real estate greatly enhanced in value as a result of judicious use of tile, and drains. The county has been favored in the past by having as drain commissioner men thoroughly conversant with the work required. This statement is especially true when the four years—1911-12-13-14—are considered. During that time, under the administration of Mr. E. W. Redman, some of the



largest dredge and tile jobs in the county have been constructed at a cost of approximately \$250,000 to the various property owners interested.

Among these drains could be mentioned Number 111, which drains a large scope of country through the townships of Arcada, Sumner and New Haven. No. 105 and its two branches in Seville township. The dredge job on drain No. 142 in Seville. The No. 96 Outlet drain, which will furnish drainage for nearly twenty square miles of farm lands in the townships of Seville, Sumner, Pine River and Arcada. The Bush Creek drain, joint with Midland county, which will redeem and benefit many acres of the rich soil of Bethany township. In addition to the dredge work, an average of 60 carloads of tile, varying in size from six to twenty inches has been used annually during the past three years in the work of this department. In all of the work done during the past four years only one Board of Review has been called and that Board, after carefully reviewing the work of the commissioner coincided with that official in every particular.

Mr. Redman, as is well known to the citizens of Gratiot county, is a man well qualified both by experience and education, to care for the duties of this important office and at the same time safeguard the interests of the property owner by seeing that contract when let are properly executed. A graduate of M. A. C., a surveyor of recognized ability and a man thoroughly conversant by actual years of experience in the drain commissioner's office, the citizens of Gratiot are to be congratulated upon the fact that Mr. Redman has consented to permit his name to appear on the ticket at the primaries to be held next Tuesday.

The dredging of the Maple River for a distance of nearly 28 miles, effecting the townships of Elba, Washington and Fulton in Gratiot county, is now under consideration, while other drains of vast importance to the county are under way. Under these conditions it would seem that a change in the drain commissioner's office would not be opportune at the present time. The Record predicts not only his nomination August 25, but his election next November.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday morning Service—10 o'clock. Held in the United Brethren Church building.

Sermon—"Fixing the Blame." Sunday School—11:30.

B. Y. P. U. Meeting—6:30.

Topic—"Lovely Service."

Union Service at 7:30 in the Episcopal Church. Rev. J. Frank Jackson will preach.

J. W. Priest, Pastor. Residence, 802 Gratiot Ave.

Prof. F. N. Notestein and family returned Tuesday evening from Otsego Lake, where they have been spending their vacations.